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Mr. Will Kempton, Director
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Attention: Federal Resources Office, MS-82
For Ross A. Chittenden, Transportation Programming

Dear Mr. Kempton:

SUBJECT: 2004/05-2006/07 FSTIP AMENDMENT NO. 24, NON-METROPOLITAN AREA

We have completed our review of Amendment Number 24 to the non-metropolitan planning organization portion of the 2004/05-2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). As detailed in the enclosure to your letter dated April 14, 2006, this amendment proposes to modify the non-metropolitan area grouped project listing for the Bridge Preservation category of the State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) by increasing the total funding commitment for the construction phase for the Humboldt County Mad River Bridges by \$13.466 million in FY 2006/07, and increasing the total right-of-way phase funding commitment by \$0.905 million in FY 2006/07. In addition, this amendment proposes to: modify the grouped project listing for the SHOPP Minor Program projects by including the environmental phase for a realignment project in Mendocino County from 1.0 mi to 1.3 mi east of Anderson Creek Bridge near Booneville; and to increase the total program commitment for the Eureka Slough bridge project in Humboldt County by \$120,000.00 in FY 2005/06.

We accept this amendment in accordance with 23 CFR part 450 and find that the amended FSTIP is based on a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process, and was developed in accord with the Statewide planning provisions in 23 U.S.C. 135. The program listing modifications proposed by this FSTIP amendment are associated with projects that are proposed for implementation in areas of the State of California that are designated as attainment or unclassified for Federal air quality standards, and as a consequence, are not subject to the requirement that a conformity determination be made. These findings have been coordinated with the Region IX office of the Federal Transit Administration. We are approving this amendment to the 2004/05-2006/07 FSTIP for the non-MPO areas of California in accord with the July 15, 2004, *Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division, and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX.*



If you have questions or need additional information concerning our approval of this FSTIP amendment, please contact Wade Hobbs of the FHWA California Division office at (916) 498-5027, or by e-mail at, wade.hobbs@fhwa.dot.gov.

Sincerely,

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